

State To Get \$541 Million Tab for Universities

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SACRAMENTO — It costs money to run a university, and the state legislature is going to find out come next January, just how much it costs.

President Charles J. Hitch of the University of California, expecting more than 100,700 students in the state's highest institution of learning next year, has submitted a budget of more than \$541 million for opera-

tion of the nine campuses, and additional functions performed by the multi-million dollar school.

This is \$64.7 million more than last year, and is the first time the operational costs have gone over a half billion dollars for a single year.

Out of the total budget requested, \$341 million would come from state funds, \$49 million more than last year, and \$200 million from university funds, \$14 million more than last year.

Functions for the office of the president of the university are sought at a total of \$6,355,108, which is \$1,110,602 more than requested for the current fiscal year.

Just what the actual figures will be when the university board of regents gets done with the proposed budget, and the state legislature finishes working over the requests, is still a matter of speculation, but the current guess is that the final budget to be approved by Governor Ronald Reagan

will top the half billion mark.

Although in his first sentence announcing the proposed budget, President Hitch says the increase to be asked in state funds will be \$49.9 million, his second sentence says the budget reflects substantial reductions in requests from the campuses.

"It is smaller," he says, "as a percentage of anticipated state general fund revenue, than the university's budget was in 1966-67, and

for the remainder of the five-year interval, the percentage continues to fall."

Besides, says the president, "the university is maintaining 'intensive pressure' for economies in operations."

But even with the pressure apparently the university will need some \$50 million more of state funds next year to keep up with the expected enrollment, and the added functions of the new campuses throughout the state.

He pointed out that some \$4 million will be used in the 'Urban Crisis' program.

"Nowadays," says Hitch, "there is more intense conflict over social values and political priorities than we have seen in our life-time. The University must look to its obligations in the surrounding society and find ways that are compatible with its essential educational mission whereby to contribute to the achievement of a just society."

"Initial emphasis would be on the poor and educationally disadvantaged, although urban problems such as air and water pollution will also receive attention."

"This program will also selectively consider problems of urban structure and functioning which have direct, immediate relevance to the impacted populations of the central city, employment, physical environment, health and medical programs, education, local, and regional government."

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Caught in the Middle

Proposition 1-A, "that" plan for tax relief proposed by the state legislature and approved by the voters in the November 5 general election, is already causing some concern for those who gave it support.

It seems that proponents failed to point out a few ramifications of the plan during those heated weeks of attack on Proposition 9.

Supervisor Frank G. Bonelli has suggested that a proper joint legislative interim committee of the state senate and assembly should quickly review the ramifications of the costly procedural steps that county assessors will have to take to implement Proposition 1-A.

The word "costly" suddenly pops

up in the plan which purportedly was a simple, workable solution to the "high cost of taxes."

However, initial instructions for the property owner in acquiring his "massive" \$70 rebate indicate that any tax relief may be short lived.

Two forms will have to be filed next year—one regular tax report and one for the rebate. The property owner will have to make his own arrangements to receive the rebate form.

More paperwork means more governmental employees, more hours of work, more wages, and more taxes to meet the higher cost of government.

It's a vicious cycle and the taxpayer is always caught in the middle.

Subsidy for the Drunk?

If some people have their way, alcoholics, widely known not so many years back as "drunks," may be elevated to the ranks of VIPS (very important persons). More and more the

status of unlimited drinkers has been on the upgrade, due to do-gooders who insist their problem is not one for legal or criminal solutions, but rests with our medical and social structures.

The biggest boost in this approach to drunkenness has come from the cooperative Commission on the Study of Alcoholism. It recommended "public drunkenness should be regarded as a medical and social problem, rather than a legal and criminal matter. Why did it recommend that "the legal age for the purchase and consumption of alcohol should be lowered to 18, because the age limit of 21 is largely unenforceable and creates a hypocritical situation reminiscent of the prohibition era?" One fails to see the logic in lowering the age limit as an aid to enforcement. It would add millions of American boys and girls to the drinking fraternity and it must follow that too great a number of them could be confirmed by the time they reached 21 years of age . . . It is a nice thing for this country to be vitally interested in the misfortunes of disadvantaged persons whose condition has not been of their own making. That is genuine social progress, but to subsidize incessant drinkers and encourage youths to get an early acquaintance with John Barleycorn is—well, just what do you think?—San Bernardino Free Press

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FROM THE MAILBOX

A Thanksgiving Wish

To the Editor: Thanksgiving is the festive Holiday when American families gather together to enjoy the traditional Turkey Dinner and all "the trimmings" and to offer "Thanks" to God for His blessings of Life and the material necessities needed to enjoy it.

Your local paper provides the area constantly with news of importance — LOCAL NEWS. Without your generosity, many service organizations' activities such as ours, could not get the publicity needed to inform the public.

The Officers and Members of St. Gerard's Council take this opportunity to

thank you and your staff for the space and publicity given our activities during the past year.

May you and your staff have a Blessed and joyful Thanksgiving Day.

JOSEPH A. SWEENEY

Czechoslovakia Is Quiet Again

Editor, Press-Herald: Let us forget — "All is over. Silent, mournful, abandoned, broken Czechoslovakia recedes into the darkness."

These are the words of Winston Churchill in 1939. Now this sad, little coun-

try, after a brief flicker of freedom's light, again recedes into the darkness.

C. C. MOSELEY

My Neighbors



"What hath we wrought?"

ROYCE BRIER

Space Probe to Seek New Data About Solar Flares

Early this month, the space people launched a solar probe called Pioneer 9 from Cape Kennedy, and it is expected to reach the sun in a little over two years.

There are three other probes already out there, and Pioneer 6 is expected to pass behind the sun this week. It was launched three years ago. These are small vehicles in the 150-pound class, most of the weight in radar equipment. Each vehicle has a different function, Pioneer 9 to Study solar flares.

These vehicles of course

must approach the sun in wide sweeps, lest the heat destroy them.

It is a cliché of the unimaginative that the lunar and planetary probes have little practical value, but their objections will hardly apply to the solar probes, because the state of the sun and its periodic processes are of mortal

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concern to the earth and its inhabitants.

Astronomers today know far more about the vital body than did their fathers 50 years ago, but the area subject to controversial theory and downright ignorance remains incalculable.

Specifically, Pioneer 9 will study the incidence and nature of the flares in relation to projected lunar exploration. With flares the sun releases immense bursts of electro-magnetic forces which bathe the planets, and can be dangerous to human beings in near space.

But the flares have a marked effect on weather, on the magnetic condition of the outer atmosphere, and on radio reception. This applies also to the moon, excepting there is no atmosphere, hence no weather.

The flares are vast streamers of incandescent and electrified gases, rising up to 200,000 miles from the sun's surface. Some rise vertically, and some curve in arches, and they last for several hours. Then they plunge back into the sun at speeds of 50,000 miles an hour.

Flares are visible from the earth during eclipses and have been known since Galileo's time. Through a small telescope they appear as a bright "feathering" of the sun's rim. The earth would

Quote

The only way to save the University (of California), presuming it is still worth saving, is to recognize clearly at long last that the dogma of academic freedom as currently claimed, believed, and practiced, makes no sense and is a one-way ticket to destruction.—Senator John G. Schmitz.

The law and order issue, as it applies to policemen, is not simply a get-tough issue. We can expect a better enforcement service only if we are willing to pay for it.—Assemblyman Robert Monagan.

Those who stand up for the values of our society must, indeed, have the support of all of us. Too many, including students and faculty members, have been too silent too long. It's time we stood up to be counted.—Governor Ronald Reagan.

The public is sick, tired, and disgusted with what is taking place on our campuses.—Assemblyman John E. Collier.

The Harsh School Master



T'WAS HE WHO TAUGHT US TO COUNT OUR BLESSINGS AT THANKSGIVING TIME.

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Leggy Gal Has Secret of Tan

Quotesville: Atty. David K. Gilmore overheard this elevator chat in Oakland's Financial Center Bldg., one leggy secty. to another: "The thing that flipped me was his gorgeous tan, and the next morning I found out his secret — iodine in his bathwater" . . . Every time I look at some of our new high-risers I think of Penelope Gillatt's description of N.Y.'s Lincoln Center: "It looks like it had been ordered over the phone by Mussolini" . . . Artist Guy Buffet was a little hurt when L'Etoile hung one of his paintings in the menz-room, but now he's relieved, as it were. Jim Grimme stood there looking at it so long that he finally decided to buy it . . . When Leigh Stephens, the hot rock musician, took off for London, Stockbroker Buck Sumski asked him to select and ship back a vintage Rolls-Royce. Leigh on the long distance horn the other day: "Buck, I just put it on the ship and it's a beauty — black with a white hood. Buck, shocked: "Whoinell wants a black car with a white hood?" Leigh: "Uh — George Wallace?"

Our native wits: ACT's great Michael O'Sullivan, at the Kuo Wah, upon being asked how he liked his own performance in the film "Hang 'Em High;" "I don't know — I fell asleep before I appeared." And how did he like Pinter's "The Homecoming"? "Well, it kept me awake." Would he rather live in New York or San Francisco? "Oh, San Francisco. In New York you have to work so hard to support a press agent" . . . Mel Corvin, gazing at a Mission St. sign reading "Karate Jude:" "Isn't that the dame who used to be married to Ernie Borgnine?" . . . Have you noticed those cigarettes "just for women" called Virginia Slims? Well, Joan Arnold wonders why they don't put out a brand for men called Minnesota Fats, and I wish she'd stop asking these silly questions . . . Pianist Abe Battat thinks that Clyde King, new manager of the Giants, is a perfectly-named choice: "By the end of next season, he'll either be one or the other" . . . Ray Shea, vacationing in Puerto Vallarta, reports he was accosted by a Mexican moppet who tried to sell him a stuffed iguana. When Ray said no, the kid pleaded "But senior, this one was bitten by Liz Taylor!" . . . KNEW's Hilly Rose is wearing a haunted look. Eldridge Cleaver, whom he interviewed the other day, reminisced: "You know, I was on your program two years ago, and nothing happened. Except that when I left the studio, two strangers were waiting for me. Turned out to be Bobby Seale and Huey Newton, and they recruited me then and there into the Black Panther Party." Hilly, gulping: "You mean I'M responsible?"

Kiddie Korner: Mike Smith, 7-yr-old son of KPEN's Terry Smith, is taking religious training at Our Lady of Grace in Castro Valley, and came home the other day to complain: "I have trouble understanding the nun — she has a funny accent." "What kind?" asked Terry. "I dunno," admitted Mike, "but I think she's Jewish."

Three little dcts: Janell Pulis, the utterly delightful Lucy in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," went to dinner at the Brighton Express the other night found them short-handed (as usual), waited on tables — and picked up \$4.50 in tips. Being Lucy, she kept 'em, too . . . Stockbroker Ric Teague is back from Oregon, where he stopped just long enough in the town of Drain to ask a native: "When civilization goes down is this where they pull the plug?" The native was not amused and I don't see you smiling, either . . . Old jokes are the best: These two old gaffers are standing at a Pacific Union Club window, watching a beautiful girl walking along Mason, and one says "Twenty years ago that would have done something to me" and the other nods "Me, too, but I forget what."

Don Sherwood, who changed his phone number 60 times in one ten-year stretch, has now had the same number for three years — "which comes of not drinking," he explains. "I used to get sleshed and pass out the number to every girl I'd meet" . . . Dave Holloman overheard it at Molly Malone's on Irving, a stout feller ordering "One order of fish 'n' chips to go — no potatoes!" . . . The Landmarks Commission may consider installing a plaque on the forehead of Lee Carroll, the piano player at Del Vecchio's. Now 76 he has been playing in various S.F. spots since 1914, when the most requested number was "Stay in Your Own Backyard" (now it's "Up, Up and Away," which he likes even better). Longevity secret? "Well, I stopped smoking in 1924 and drinking in 1932, when Prohibition was repealed, spoiling all the fun."

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